Amendments to the Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of listing of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A method for crystallizing the compound of formula (1)

$$\mathsf{CH_3} - \mathsf{C} - \mathsf{SCH_2CH_2CH_2O} - \mathsf{CH_3} \\ \mathsf{HO} - \mathsf{CH_2CH_2CH_3} \\ \mathsf{H_3CH_2CH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2F} \\ \mathsf{OCH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2F} \\ \mathsf{OCH_2CH_2CO_2F} \\ \mathsf{OCH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2F} \\ \mathsf{OCH_2CH_2CH_2CO_2F} \\ \mathsf$$

(1)

to obtain said compound in polymorphic Form A, which is substantially free of other polymorphic forms, comprising:

dissolving compound (1) in 5 to 10 parts by weight of ethanol and 1-10 parts of water, agitating the resulting suspension at 20 - 25 °C for 15 - 60 minutes and then cooling to 5-10 °C for an additional period of 1 - 4 hours,

adding to this suspension 5-15 parts of water and agitating the mixture at 5-10 °C for an additional 1-4 hours,

isolating crystals of compound (1) in polymorphic Form A, substantially free of other polymorphic forms.

2. - 3. (Cancelled)

- 4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) are at least about 90% polymorphic Form A, as defined by PXRD peak heights around exhibit no PXRD peaks of polymorphic forms B and C at about 9° 2-theta.
- 5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the isolated crystals of compound

- (1) have a substantially are orthorhombic crystals structure.
- 6. (Currently amended) A method for crystallizing the compound of formula (1), comprising:

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dissolving said compound in 5 to 7 parts by weight of ethanol at 30 - 40 °C and adding 1-2 parts of water, cooling the mixture to 10-15 °C over 2-3 hours and then cooling to 5-10 °C for an additional period of 1-4 hours,

adding to this suspension 5-15 parts of water and agitating the mixture at 5-10 °C for an additional 1-4 hours, and

isolating crystals of compound (1) in polymorphic Form A, which is substantially free of other polymorphic forms.

7. - 8. (Cancelled)

- 9. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) are at least about 90% polymorphic Form A, as defined by PXRD peak heights around exhibit no PXRD peaks of polymorphic forms B and C at about 9° 2-theta.
- 10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the isolated crystals of compound (1) have a substantially are orthorhombic crystals structure.